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SUBJECT: IRANIAN HELICOPTERS TO PAKISTAN

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1. WE AGREE WITH DEPARTMENT THAT IT WOULD BE WISE TO PREPARE CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE IN EVENT STORY OF IRANIAN HELICOPTERS IN PAKISTAN SURFACES IN US PRESS. IT WILL BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO COORDINATE CONTINGENCY LINE WITH GOI BEFORE USING IT.

2. RE CONTENT OF OUR STATEMENT, WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT SPOKESMEN AVOID GIVING IMPRESSION IRAN SOLICITED OUR AUTHORIZATION TO DEPLOY ITS HELICOPTERS IN PAKISTAN. SUCH WAS NOT THE CASE. THEREFORE, WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT NOT SAY IRAN QTE INFORMED US UNQTE BUT RATHER USE LANGUAGE TO EFFECT WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH GOI ON THIS MATTER.

3. INFORMATION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE HERE IS THAT ONLY TWO UNARMED CHINOOK HELICOPTERS HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED IN PAKISTAN ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN THIS IS ALL. TEN 205S AND 206S (FIVE EACH) ARMED WITH MACHINE GUNS AND ROCKETS HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM ISFAHAN TO IRANIAN BALUCHISTAN AREA.
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